



# THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD

*Greenfield Hall*

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## ANNUAL MEETING, THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16, 1989 AT 8:00 P.M., GREENFIELD HALL A COMPARISON OF TWO SOUTH JERSEY HEARTHS

In the best tradition of local history and of passing on enthusiasm for history from one generation to the next, the speaker for our Annual Meeting is the granddaughter of Carrie Elizabeth Nicholson Hartel, a charter member of the Historical Society of Haddonfield. Dianne Hartel Snodgrass, Education Program Coordinator of the Camden County Historical Society, will present a slide program on open hearth cooking which will compare the cooking methods used by the Cooper family at Pomona Hall in Camden in 1788 and those used by the Gill family at **Greenfield Hall** in Haddonfield in 1842. Join us for an informative evening on cooking and cooking gadgetry of two centuries ago. Also at this meeting, the election of officers and trustees for the coming year will be held. The meeting is at Greenfield Hall on Thursday evening, November 16, at 8:00 p.m.

### WOMAN'S COMMITTEE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** — the date of the Woman's Committee Holly Festival has been changed to December 16th, this year to avoid competing with other Christmas fairs. The Williamsburg boxwood door decorations will also be fresher for Christmas week. Poinsettias will not be sold this year, however, we expect to have interesting crafts, baked-goods, holly and baskets of greens. Please volunteer to bake the delicious goodies for which we are famous.

The Society is looking for a chairman or co-chairman to take complete charge of the Village Fair. Woman's committee members will assist in any way but can no longer organize and run this affair. Please call Kathy Tassini (429-2462) if you are interested in this important job.

Please remember the Auction scheduled for October 6, 1990. We will be collecting items for this all year. Call the Society or Kathryn Febish (429-5204) if you have a donation.

All women members of the Historical Society are also members of the Woman's Committee. You are welcome

to attend the monthly coffee and meeting the 4th Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m.

**PLEASE COME!**

*Mary Jane Freedley*

### OPEN HEARTH COOKING WORKSHOP

If you have wanted to either learn the fine art of open hearth cookery or decide that you would like to learn more following our November 16th program, Camden County Historical Society has a program scheduled for next year. On Saturday, March 3 and Sunday, March 4, 1990, Nancy Carter Crump, culinary historian, open hearth cook of Williamsburg, and author, will conduct hands-on cooking workshops at Pomona Hall, Park Boulevard and Euclid Avenue in Camden. The program on Sunday will be for experienced open hearth cooks, while Saturday is for novices. The cost is \$30.00 for CCHS members and \$35.00 for non-members. For reservations or further information contact Dianne Snodgrass at 964-3333.



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to thank the general membership for allowing me to be President of the Historical Society of Haddonfield in this the Seventy-fifth year since the organization's founding. This has been a most rewarding year and a year in which many friendships were made and many relationships were renewed. The Society has been most active and it is due to the loyal membership which we have always had. The members have been extremely willing to assist in all endeavors in which they were asked to participate. This is a fact which our organization should be most proud to acknowledge.

Tom Applegate was appointed to Jim Atkinson's position as Fourth Vice-President as Jim moved to New Hampshire, therefore, Larry Hilbert was appointed to fill the unexpired Trustee term of Tom, which expires in 1989. Thanks to both Tom and Larry for filling these vital positions.

The Executive Council agreed to actively participate with the Woman's Committee in putting on the Village Fair, therefore, we are in search of co-chairmen for this favorite town event. If we are unable to find chairs, the tradition of the Fair will unfortunately become part of our history.

The Holly Festival has been moved to December 16, please mark your calendars as to the new date. The boxwood wreaths will be fresher for the holidays with this later date.

The Haddonfield Garden Club will be decorating Greenfield for a Christmas Open House in honor of our seventy-fifth year. Greenfield Hall will be open on Friday, December 1, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The evening hours will coincide with the first Candlelight shopping evening the Business District will have this year. The Open House will continue Saturday, December 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and December 4, through December 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. The first floor will be gaily festooned for the holidays as the Garden Club members do their interpretation of 1914 Christmas.

The second floor will have an exhibit of toys from our collection and a holiday gift shop will feature the lovely gifts which the Woman's Committee sells. Also available will be the Society's publications.

"LOST HADDONFIELD" authors, Doug Reuschenberger and Kathy Tassini, will be hosted by Cabbages and Kings Bookstore, 41 Kings Highway East, at an authors' reception on December 1, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The authors will be signing their book. Drop in for a visit and refreshments.

A letter was sent to Chuck Hardwick, the Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly supporting Assemblymen Rocco's and Shusted's Bill A 4743 which would make the *Hadrosaurus foulki* the state dinosaur.

The Executive Council passed a motion to recognize Life Memberships in the Society with a plaque in Greenfield Hall. The plaque should be in place by the middle of November.

Fall Festival Weekend was a series of successful events for the Historical Society. Myra Kain's enthusiasm, creativity, energy and dedication to the Society in chairing the successful Anniversary Celebration Committee for the past year, has been most appreciated and sincere thanks are extended to her on behalf of the Society. It is because of the ongoing response of people such as Myra, that the Society has remained in existence for seventy-five years and we were able to celebrate our seventy-fifth year successfully.

I would like to personally thank our celebration volunteers and our families and friends for their support in this community activity.

Margaret J. Kanupke  
President

## TOYS IN THE ATTIC

To celebrate the holiday season, the Haddonfield Garden Club will decorate Greenfield Hall in commemoration of the Society's Seventy-fifth Anniversary. In this spirit, the Society is planning an exhibit on the second floor of Greenfield Hall of a child's Christmas of 1914, with children's toys, books and games from the collections.

We wonder if the members have "toys in their attics" which they would enjoy loaning to the exhibition from November 28, to early January, 1990. Do you have an early "Teddy Bear" or stuffed animal, even if there are signs of great affection? Or perhaps you have early toy trucks, cars or trains and banks? These are merely suggestions, let your imagination guide you in your search.

Please call the Society's Administrator, Debbie Troemner, before November 28th, if you would enjoy sharing in the Society's holiday exhibition.

## SCAVENGER HUNT

Twenty-seven people participated in the Scavenger Hunt, Saturday afternoon. People took to the hunt eagerly as they were judged both on correctness and the amount of time needed to finish the hunt. The Businessmen's Association kindly donated prizes to those who placed. The winners in order of their placing were: Betty Phillips; John Reisner; Frank, David and Scott Moore; Kathy Miller and daughter, of Haddon Heights and the Moyer Family. It was noticed that four little girls (10 to 12) were following our second place winner. He was seen giving them a mini history lesson on the sights they were discovering. Is this not what the Historical Society is about, living history!



## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SUCCESS

The final phase of our Seventy-fifth Anniversary Celebration, a town celebration at the fifth annual Fall Festival on October 21, 1989, was a great success. Nineteen photographs of the business district circa 1914 from the Society's collection were enlarged and displayed in store windows along Kings Highway. Our thanks to Mr. & Mrs. William Carley of the House of Frames for graciously donating their time and their talent, as well as the materials to mount the 11" x 14" photographs. A commemorative edition of the front page of the October 29, 1914 issue of THE TRIBUNE which featured an article about the organization of an historical society in Haddonfield was distributed free to shoppers. Articles about the special events planned for Fall Festival appeared on the reverse side of the newspaper. These projects were funded by a grant from the Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission through the County Block Grant Program of the New Jersey Historical Commission/Department of State.

Visitors on Fall Festival Saturday were treated to a living history program written and directed by Richard Whelan of the Garrick Society of the Haddonfield Plays and Players. Two of the Society's founding members, James Lane Pennypacker, portrayed by John Bravo, and Samuel Nicholson Rhoads, portrayed by Scott Lewis, welcomed visitors at Greenfield Hall in the morning, and strolled down Kings Highway to speak with shoppers in the afternoon. They did an outstanding job. We certainly appreciate the time they devoted to prepare for these performances. Greenfield Hall was open on Saturday for tours thanks to Caroline Moody and those who helped her. Approximately seventy-five visitors were given tours. A scavenger hunt organized and run by Jeanette Woehr and Connie Reeves on Saturday afternoon was also a huge success.

During the month of October a special exhibit was featured at the Haddonfield Public Library. A unique collection of artifacts and photographs from the Society's collection were assembled as a tribute to the individuals who were responsible for the founding of the Society in Haddonfield in 1914. Featured in the exhibit were a set of photographs of the pageant of Haddonfield history performed to commemorate the "Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Settlement of Haddonfield" on October 18, 1913. Thanks to Jeanette Woehr for assembling and installing the exhibit.

On Friday night, October 20, 1989, approximately 130 guests gathered at the Markeim Arts Center for the opening reception of the Diamond Jubilee Hometown Retrospective: Local Artists of the Early Twentieth Century. Featuring over seventy works by nine local artists: Raymond Bancroft, Thomas Bancroft, Maurice Bower, Frank Fithian, Hannah Cutler Groves, Alfred Haywood, Adelaide McConnell, Emlen McConnell and Raphael Senseman; the exhibit was open for one week. The project was a joint venture of the Historical Society and the Markeim Art Center. Our thanks to Karen Rockhill, the Center Director; to the Center's Board for working with us to produce this history-making event; to Chris Zmijewski who hung the exhibit and to all the collectors who loaned the works of art that others could appreciate the art work and their artists. Funding was made possible by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State through the Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission, the designated arts agency of Camden County. Additional funds from Commerce Bank made it possible to print the 32 page exhibit catalog. Local senior citizen groups visited the show during the week.

In September the Society held a reception to officially release its latest publication, LOST HADDONFIELD. Sales of the book during the afternoon were fabulous. A continuous line of both members and guests waited patiently to have their copy of the book signed by our authors, Doug Rauschenberger and Kathy Tassini. The afternoon began with a short unveiling ceremony and a toast to the two authors. They were also presented with a small token of the Society's appreciation for their fine work. The afternoon's delicious refreshments were provided by our hospitality chairman, Cathy Chesbro.

Myra Kain, *Chairman*

## 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION VOLUNTEERS

Special thank you's are extended to the following volunteers for their assistance in our Fall Celebration:

### HIGHWAY LOCATION

Charlesanna Fallstick	Vivian Stauder	Pam Chase	Dianne Snodgrass	Debbie Moore
Cathy Chesbro	Tom Applegate	Cindy Murphy	Blair Murphy	Chuck Kanupke
Jim Tassini	Sally Cooper	Dot Sherred	Woody Zimmerman	Joanne Tarditi
Nancy Rauschenberger	Doug Rauschenberger	Andy Johnson	Frank Demmerly	

### GREENFIELD HALL

Caroline Moody	Betsy Bartlett	Mary Carll	Barbara Lane	Debbie Troemner
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### SCAVENGER HUNT

Jeanette Woehr	Connie Reeves	Richard Woehr	Ed Reeves
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### HADDONFIELD PLAY AND PLAYERS

Rich Whelan	John Bravo	Scott Lewis
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### ART SHOW

Karen Rockhill	Chris Zmijewski	Nancy Munz	Carol Jones
Peter Childs	Debbie Mervine	Debbie Moore	The Board of the Art Center

### ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION

Kathy Tassini	Joe Hartel	Gene Kain	Bill Carley	Jim Chesbro
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### "SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO"

Betty Lyons and Stuart Lyons

### SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CHAIRPERSON

Myra Kain



## ACQUISITIONS

### COSTUMES

The Costume Section of the Acquisitions Committee is in need of your help. Our present collection has very few items of clothing (men, women or children's) dating from 1900 to 1980. We would be happy to accept donations of a "flapper" dress, zoot suit, poodle skirt, wedding dress, pill box hat, bellbottom pants, mini-skirt, prom attire, or any clothing representative of a period during the twentieth century. If you can share the history of the garment, this would be an added plus for the collection.

There are also plans afoot to buy the preservation materials necessary to keep our present collection secure. The Society is planning to fund this important endeavor. If you have a particular interest in contributing towards the purchase of these first preservation supplies, your contribution will be most appreciated and well-used. If you have questions regarding the costume collection and/or making garment or monetary donations, please call either Mickey Mack (795-6823) or Dianne Snodgrass (428-6823).

### A TISKET A TASKET

We're bringing up our baskets. Over the next few months you will be seeing a number of our beautiful baskets emerge from the basement for cleaning and a new display in Greenfield Hall.

Tracy Marchetta  
*Acquisitions Chairman*

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## MEMBERSHIP

The Society is happy to welcome the following new members:

**Life Member: Mr. Tom Applegate**

**Sustaining Member: Mrs. Deborah W. Troemner**

### Active Members:

Ms. Susan G. Alford  
Barry R. Ersek  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Gilson  
Mr. & Mrs. Roger A. Leonard  
Mrs. John A. Miller, Jr.  
Mr. Michael Skinner  
Helene Zimmer-Loew

Dr. & Mrs. Phillip Aronow  
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Dorn  
Mr. Robert N. Fiorilli  
Mr. & Mrs. William Hitchens  
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Lynn  
Mrs. Joseph O'Neill  
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